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T.P.P.E. Bacon has a reputation to maintain
ever mind the "just as good" brand.

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**"AT THE COUNTY
THROAT."**

JUDGE ON THE WHEAT STACKERS.

An emergency award to cover repairing the wheat stacks damaged by mice was made by Mr. Justice yesterday, the matter having been referred to the Industrial

Labour in view of the urgent settling the existing dispute and work done.

His Honor referred in strong terms to the men in endeavouring to get the position to get a reasonable rate of pay. "I am afraid," he remarked, "that the men will say that they have taken the throat—taken their own throat when she was in a difficulty."

When the court opened, Mr. J. D. on behalf of the Minister of Industry, requested that the matter should at once be pro-

Mr. Armstrong, who appeared before the board, said that at this stage a position to put forward any proposal would be of use to the Court. He intended to go fully into the matter, however.

Mr. O. W. Walker (Governments' Representative) said that it was necessary for the collapse of the market to be proved before a rate demanded.

It was being paid from 18 to 20 cents a bushel, and there was no trouble till a couple of days ago, when the union organizers came.

Mr. J. Bailey (president of the branch of the A.W.U.) said that he was prepared, if employed on mixed work, to accept a rate of 16, while they were on casual work, and the 21 rate was agreed in stacking. Alternatively,

Mr. Walker said the piece rate was 4d a bag. It had been found that many of the bags were necessarily empty bags for the purpose of filling them at 4d per bag. Mr. Hensor said he would make an inquiry. The information available, however, was that he interviewed the representatives of the employers separately in his room to see if they could be reached. He afterwards found that they would not have despaired of his success in settlement but for the fact that the employers' representative was not authorized to make any final agreement. Mr. Hensor, in delivering his award, said that the conditions governing the work were not a plague of mice, and suggested that the plague this had caused. The award was accepted.

attacks had resulted in a large number of casuals being employed, and that often one set of men did the reffilling and stitching while another set was mending them. A wave of illness had passed for men doing that work, but the change caused by the mending was not so severe as the one imposed the farmers, and in fact, in Australia, to very grave risk of life. These were the circumstances which the men put forward for the £1 for men doing stacking, and £2 for men doing casual work. But nothing to justify this, but the men could judge the change in conditions of work had not been a bad one. "It looks to me," he added, "as if the real cause of the trouble was the necessity of the change to the country where the work was done."

"I am getting the wheat raised today. I should be very glad to be informed by the representative of the union that the work would pay."

Honor said he was not going to give a fair award in order to save money from the loss that threatened him. He said a fair award erring on the side of the mouse plague had not come. He said he would have gone on as before, at more than 10¢ or 12¢. He could not make conditions except that they were not to injure their country.

The present state of affairs he would not discuss for a period of two months. He said that to the others, he could say nothing of evidence by the union. It had been any change, except that

ing a mixed work, partly partly casual. He could see no way to justify £1 a day for this work. As to the men who did nothing else, no rate would be more than a mere consolation, more than a mere thought that in many cases would be able to work at the former rate, under which men could earn an award would be till July 1. With regard to the union's call for notice had been too short, they could put before him on saying they wished in favour of that made in the award. "I should like to urge men to join in conclusion," said his with the work at once. The country is in a difficulty. They state the coalminers of a day used the Ballarat to be sunk

their country first. Don't make the burden heavier for us with the war. I ask them to be a manly people, and to take the construction to work not only the men would work at the pump; ship."

SHIPBUILDING

LABOUR PROBLEM

MELBOURNE

An important statement was made by the Prime Minister (Mr. B. H. Hall) at the proposal to establish a shipbuilding industry in Australia.

From inquiries made the Government has learned that bulk of composition as the engines, steam and electricity, can be constructed in the greatest difficulty is labour. It is somewhat unusual to embark on a great work as this, which involves the very great deal of money, the quantity of labour is as compared to carry on the work. It is decided to call a conference of interested in shipbuilding, viz., of engineers, and engineers, at a suitable date in order to investigate in the establishment of shipbuilding industry in Australia. It is probable that with their co-operation to establish this great work. The problem that is every day acute, viz., scarcity of fre-

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satisfactory, and that we a-
without any delay to commence
the enterprise turns upon this
the co-operation of labour
country can be successfully han-
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impelled to abandon any atten-
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It is understood that an offer
made by one firm to build
2000 tons each.

SHORTER HOURS

motion from the Amalgamated
Miners' Society to the effect that
the council consider the advisability

ference of all the working-class people with the object of bringing better work day, and so absorbing the unemployed. The members who are at present unemployed. At the last night's meeting of the Glasgow Labour Council, Mr. Edwards (Coachmakers) for an hour of six hours a day, or even less. He recognised that there were many women, and children standing outside.

Mr. Howie said the proposal was the creation of the unemployed. The delegate: It is not necessary to do so. W., as the members of that Council, already in favour of shorter hours. Mr. Kavanagh, M.L.C. (secretary of the Council), said that a conference had been held, and the question of closing the shops had been discussed. That

...t was decided to consider the special meeting of the Labour

SERGEANT OZAN

MELBOURNE

Quartermaster-sergeant Ozan returned from England a fortnight ago, and was granted leave until this morning. He is expected to appear before the Medical Board this afternoon. Mr. Ozan said he would be discharged from the force. The defence authorities, however, have recommended that he should be retained for the guidance of the police. The commanding officer, who would finally decide the matter, would be discharged.

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Principal medical officer to-mor

EMPIRE DAY
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WORLD-WIDE CELEBRATION
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UNITY IN WAR

TIRRING MESSAGES. and determined to fight to the end
the day of victory dawns. That w

At the Empire Day luncheon given in the Town Hall yesterday by the president of the British Empire League in Australia (Mr. Hugh D. McIntosh, M.L.C.), the following messages were read:—

FROM SIR DOUGLAS HAIG.

On behalf of all ranks of the British Imperial army in France I heartily reciprocate your greetings. By the capture and most gallant defence of the Hindenburg line east of Bullecourt the Australian troops have recently given fresh proof of the high courage, initiative, and steadfast endurance which have at all times characterised their actions throughout this war.

Deeds such as these and the warm admiration they evoke in the hearts of all who fight beside them are daily strengthening the living chain of

mutual confidence and comradeship which binds the Empire together. I wish every success to your meeting, and a long life to the British Empire League in Australia.

FROM THE FRENCH GOVERNMENT.

On the occasion of the Empire Day celebrations, I have the honour, on behalf and by direction of my Government, to express the admiration of the French nation at the glorious deeds of the valorous Anzacs, and at the part they are taking shoulder to shoulder with the French troops in the cause of justice and liberty.

FRANCE'S GOOD WISHES.

LONDON, May 12.—The Press Bureau announces that the King (President of the Empire) telegraphed to the Emperor on the occasion of Empire Day, expressing the warm wishes which the people share with him for the progress of the United Kingdom, the Dominion of Wales, the British Colonies, and India, whose people united with the children of France, Australia and protectorates in valiantly fighting for the noblest cause.

King George, in reply, reciprocated the people's wishes, and expresses his cordial's deep appreciation.

His Majesty added: "My Empire, in France and her colonies and her British Empire continue to struggle for and fight until they and their gallant allies have gained final victory."

(Austin Lake)

FROM THE PRESIDENT OF
THE UNITED STATES.

On this occasion, on the celebration of Empire Day, when the British Empire League in Australia are engaged in a patriotic demonstration to stimulate recruiting, the President

The London News writes: "The difficulties to Empire Day ideals. Their supplements are impossible, owing to a page of paper."

EMPIRE LEAGUE
TOWN HALL LUNCHEON

There was a large gathering at the

the United States desires me to express to you his high appreciation of the League's friendly sentiments as conveyed by your telegram to him of 22 May 1920, and to assure the League of the confidence which he feels that the Australian people, who have already distinguished so nobly in defence of human rights, will inspire now at the moment by the spirit which moves these peoples, continue with unabated energy to contribute to the means by which the forces of autocratic power shall be overwhelmed, an end to which the entire might and resources of the United States are pledged.

(Signed) ROBERT LAMING,
United States Representative to the League of Nations.

FROM MR. HUGHES, PRIME MINISTER OF AUSTRALIA.

Very best wishes for the future success of British Empire League and sincere congratulations on good work already done.

"I thank the gallant soldiers of the New South Wales contingent, not only for the services they have rendered, but for the sympathy which prompted them to come so far to take part in a war undertaken by the Empire to which we all belong. . . . and I trust that should any serious war be forced on our Empire in the future we shall find our gallant soldiers as ready as ever to respond to the call."

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of the British Empire, which was predicted by the German Emperor, "soldiers from all parts of the world looked to the assistance of the motherland. The end of many tugging anxieties (Aufhebung vieler Sorgen) is also our pledge ourselves to use every means to win the peace." The Emperor's words were a wholehearted co-operation for social harmony and union in the great work which must be put forth to assist the people of the world to find peace and movement and every influence which will assist the solidarity of this co-operation of all the forces at the disposal of the world to be destroyed. We stand; divided we fall. The Federal State activities which have sprung

Empire, far from weakening, has passed through a period of great strength to strength. If the war had not been so unready, it did not find us unready, and after nearly three years of unrelenting and after nearly three years of the bonds of Empire are stronger than ever before.

Herein lies the significance of the day we celebrated yesterday. We know that the night of the British Empire will prevail, and that the conditions of the world will be such that the service his work does to the Empire. No one can predict at present basic changes, industrial and social, and the conditions of the world will be such that the service his work does to the Empire. No one can predict at present basic changes, industrial and social, and the conditions of the world will be such that the service his work does to the Empire.

The social conscience has been stimulated and revived. A clearer recognition has been gained of the responsibilities of the British Empire to all. While our nation has been laboring under such financial burdens that it will be unable to maintain them for nearly a year or more, the people of the world, "a soul of goodness in part evil," and the chastening effect of the world's conflict upon the minds and hearts of men, may have the power of wealth and affluence, may have the power of producing a greater British Empire.

the German Emperor for it. Never was
the Empire greater than it is to-day;
and it is the spirit of the homeland that
eliminates all parts of the Empire across
the seas. It is of this spirit the late Pro-
fessor J. A. Cramb wrote—"If, in some
cataclysm of nature these islands and il-
lands embroze were overwhelmed and
sunk in sea-oblivion, if to-morrow's sun
rose upon an Englandless world, still this
island would be the heart of the world."

spirit in other lands would fare on untouched amid the wreck."

We are all one. The seas may divide us, but for all that we are one, animated by the same love of freedom and justice,

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